

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Rep. James Lower, Chair and Local Government Committee Members

FROM:

Michigan Association of County Drain Commissioners

DATE:

September 13, 2018

RE:

MACDC SUPPORT FOR HB 6090

CURRENT LAW:

Currently, a Board of Review is required to be held on the second Monday of May and September each year, regardless of the amount of activity with projects under Act 342.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

This amendment removes the requirement of Boards of Review twice a year, and instead requires a Board of Review to be held within 60 days of any request to review rates, charges or special assessments levied under the act.

REASON FOR SUPPORT:

Drain Commissioners often act solely as the "County Agency" or as a member of the Board of Public Works under Act 342.

The Michigan Association of County Drain Commissioners is in support of HB 6090, as it provides a mechanism for a Board of Review to meet whenever needed to address special assessments, rates or charges under the County Public Improvement Act of 1939 (more commonly known as Act 342).